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NOVEMBER CROP REPORT HIGHLIGHTS

Nebraska's corn production, as of November 1, is forecast at 1.16 billion bushels, unchanged from the October forecast. Production, if realized, would be 7% below last year, but still the third highest of record, behind the 1.24 billion bushels produced in 1998, and 2% less than the crop of 1996. Acreage harvested for grain, at 8.25 million acres, is unchanged from last month but down 4% from last year. Yield, is forecast at 140 bushels per acre, unchanged from last month, 5 bushels below last year, and the third highest of record (1998=145 bu/ac., 1996=143 bu/ac.)

Sorghum grain production is forecast at 40 million bushels, up 2% from the October forecast, but 29% below the 1998 crop. Acreage for grain harvest remained unchanged at 450,000 acres, 25% below last year. Yield, at 89 bushels per acre, is up from last month, but 5 bushels below last year.

Soybean production is forecast at a record high 180.6 million bushels, down 4.3 million from last month but 9% above the previous record set last year. Acreage for harvest at 4.3 million acres is unchanged from October and is also a record high. Yield forecast at 42 bushels per acre, is down 1 bushel from last month and down 2 bushels from last year.

Sugar beet production of 1,301,000 tons is down 2% from last month, but up 39% from the 1998 crop. Fall potato production is forecast at 8.904 million cwt., up 9% from the record high (8.175 million cwt.) set last year. Acreage for harvest at 21,200 is down 3% from last year; yield, at a record high 420 cwt. per acre, is 45 cwt. above last year and 30 cwt. above the previous high set in 1997.

END -OF-YEAR SURVEYS IN NOVEMBER

The Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service began contacting farmers and ranchers across the State in early November for final 1999 acreage, yield and production totals and end-of-year livestock and poultry inventories.

Insects, disease and variable weather conditions again this year have had an impact on Nebraska agriculture, and these surveys will help our office summarize where the industry stands at the end of 1999.

Information from these confidential surveys conducted by mail, telephone or in person will also help producers make their plans for the coming year. Sound production and marketing decisions require good, reliable information and some advanced planning, and these reports provide producers with solid facts and figures they can incorporate into their plans.

These are sample surveys, so if you are contacted, it is important to provide the requested information, since one producer represents similar operations of the same type and size. Our estimates can be no better than the numbers producers provide. Your help is appreciated.

CORN AND SOYBEAN YIELD AND PRODUCTION, SELECTED STATES, 1998-1999

State	CORN					SOYBEANS				
	Yield per Acre			Production		Yield per Acre			Production	
	1998	1999		1998	1999	1998	1999		1998	1999
		Oct. 1	Nov. 1				Oct. 1	Nov. 1		
	Bushels		1,000 bushels			Bushels		1,000 bushels		
Illinois	141.0	146.0	146.0	1,473,450	1,554,900	44.0	42.0	43.0	464,200	462,250
Indiana	137.0	128.0	130.0	760,350	747,500	42.0	39.0	38.0	231,000	215,840
Iowa	145.0	150.0	149.0	1,769,000	1,758,200	48.0	48.0	45.0	496,800	488,250
Kansas	147.0	142.0	139.0	418,950	389,200	30.0	27.0	28.0	75,000	74,200
Minnesota . . .	153.0	143.0	146.0	1,032,750	978,200	42.0	42.0	41.0	285,600	282,900
Missouri	114.0	97.0	100.0	285,000	260,000	34.0	27.0	28.0	170,000	148,400
NEBRASKA	145.0	140.0	140.0	1,239,750	1,155,000	44.0	43.0	42.0	165,000	180,600
Ohio	141.0	124.0	125.0	470,940	387,500	44.0	37.0	37.0	193,160	170,200
So. Dakota . .	121.0	110.0	115.0	429,550	373,750	39.0	35.0	35.0	132,600	135,100
U.S.	134.4	133.5	134.5	9,761,085	9,537,137	38.9	37.0	36.7	2,741,014	2,672,972

NOVEMBER 1, 1999 ESTIMATES AND COMPARATIVE DATA FOR NEBRASKA AND THE UNITED STATES

Classification	NEBRASKA			UNITED STATES		
	1997	1998	1999 1/	1997	1998	1999 1/
Corn for Grain:						
For harvest 1,000 Acres	*8,600	8,550	8,250	72,671	72,604	70,925
Yield Bushels	132.0	*145.0	140.0	126.7	134.4	134.5
Production 1,000 Bushels	1,135,200	*1,239,750	1,155,000	9,206,832	9,761,085	9,537,137
Corn for Grain, Irrigated:						
For harvest 1,000 Acres	5,400	5,250	5,000	---	---	---
Yield Bushels	151.6	*161.3	157.6	---	---	---
Production 1,000 Bushels	818,400	847,050	787,750	---	---	---
Corn for Grain, Not Irrigated:						
For harvest 1,000 Acres	3,200	3,300	3,250	---	---	---
Yield Bushels	99.0	*119.0	113.0	---	---	---
Production 1,000 Bushels	316,800	*392,700	367,250	---	---	---
Soybeans for Beans:						
For harvest 1,000 Acres	3,550	3,750	*4,300	69,110	70,441	72,786
Yield Bushels	40.5	44.0	42.0	38.9	38.9	36.7
Production 1,000 Bushels	143,775	165,000	*180,600	2,688,750	2,741,014	2,672,972
Sorghum for Grain:						
For harvest 1,000 Acres	750	600	450	9,158	7,723	8,499
Yield Bushels	81.0	94.0	89.0	69.2	67.3	70.2
Production 1,000 Bushels	60,750	56,400	40,050	633,545	519,933	596,482
Alfalfa Hay:						
For harvest 1,000 Acres	1,300	1,400	1,400	23,551	23,642	23,968
Yield Tons	3.25	*3.75	3.70	3.33	3.47	3.57
Production 1,000 Tons	4,225	5,250	5,180	78,535	82,010	85,487
All Hay:						
For harvest 1,000 Acres	3,200	3,200	3,200	61,084	60,016	62,051
Yield Tons	2.12	*2.40	2.38	2.50	2.52	2.60
Production 1,000 Tons	6,790	7,680	7,610	152,536	151,338	161,385
Potatoes, Fall:						
For harvest 1,000 Acres	19.9	*21.8	21.2	1,185.1	1,214.0	1,180.7
Yield Cwt.	390	375	*420	357	356	369
Production 1,000 Cwt.	7,761	8,175	*8,904	423,190	432,737	435,601
Beans, Dry Edible:						
For harvest 1,000 Acres	180.0	188.0	205.0	1,758.8	1,913.9	1,903.0
Yield Pounds	2,060	1,950	1,900	1,670	1,611	1,669
Production 1,000 Cwt.	3,708	3,666	3,895	29,370	30,828	31,755
Sugar Beets:						
For harvest 1,000 Acres	60.3	47.4	66.7	1,428.3	1,451.7	1,525.2
Yield Tons	16.8	19.7	19.5	20.9	22.5	21.9
Production 1,000 Tons	1,013	934	1,301	29,886	32,606	33,393

1/ Indicated. * Record. **Equals record.

U.S. GRAINS SUPPLY AND DISAPPEARANCE OUTLOOK

CROP YEAR	S U P P L Y				MARKET YEAR DISAPPEARANCE 1/*				Market Year Ending Stocks*	Average Market Price	
	Pro- duction	Begin- ning stocks	Im- ports	Total	Domestic		Ex- ports	Total			
					Primary Use 2/	Other					
Million bushels											\$/bu.
CORN:											
1997/98	9,207	883	9	10,099	5,505	1,782	1,504	8,791	1,308	2.43	
1998/99	9,761	1,308	19	11,088	5,489	1,822	1,981	9,291	1,796	1.95	
1999/00	9,537	1,796	10	11,344	5,500	1,880	1,925	9,305	2,039	1.60-2.00	
SOYBEANS:											
1997/98	2,689	132	5	2,826	1,597	156	873	2,626	200	6.47	
1998/99	2,741	200	3	2,944	1,590	205	801	2,596	348	5.00	
1999/00	2,673	348	3	3,024	1,610	154	865	2,629	395	4.55-5.15	
WHEAT:											
1997/98	2,481	444	95	3,020	914	343	1,040	2,298	628	3.38	
1998/99	2,547	722	103	3,373	903	482	1,042	2,427	818	2.65	
1999/00	2,308	946	105	3,359	915	342	1,100	2,357	902	2.45-2.55	
SORGHUM:											
1997/98	634	47	0	681	365	55	212	632	49	2.21	
1998/99	520	49	0	569	262	45	197	504	65	1.70	
1999/00	596	65	0	661	325	55	200	580	81	1.35-1.75	

* Projections for 1998 and 1999 crops are USDA's World Outlook Board expectations of supply and disappearance as of November 10, 1999. Totals may not add due to rounding.

1/ Marketing year begins: Corn, Sorghum & Soybeans, September 1; Wheat, June 1. 2/ Primary uses: Corn & Sorghum = Feed; Soybeans = Crashing; Wheat = Food.

NEBRASKA -- ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION BY DISTRICT, 1998-1999 1/

District	CORN FOR GRAIN							
	Acres Planted		Acres Harvested		Yield per Harv. Acre		Production	
	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999
	1,000 acres				Bushels		1,000 bushels	
Northwest	335.0	345.0	316.3	320.0	134.6	134.0	42,560.0	42,880.0
North	395.0	410.0	370.3	380.0	144.6	145.0	53,550.0	55,100.0
Northeast	1,555.0	1,520.0	1,495.5	1,465.0	139.4	134.0	208,475.9	196,310.0
Central	1,170.0	1,130.0	1,134.3	1,090.0	153.9	156.0	174,548.1	170,040.0
East	2,185.0	2,065.0	2,143.3	2,030.0	147.1	136.6	315,377.2	277,235.0
Southwest	955.0	915.0	929.4	890.0	145.9	139.0	135,598.6	123,710.0
South	1,040.0	980.0	1,020.7	965.0	150.8	153.0	153,936.4	147,645.0
Southeast	1,165.0	1,135.0	1,140.2	1,110.0	136.6	128.0	155,703.8	142,080.0
NEBRASKA	8,800.0	8,500.0	8,550.0	8,250.0	145.0	140.0	1,239,750.0	1,155,000.0

District	SOYBEANS FOR BEANS							
	Acres Planted		Acres Harvested		Yield per Harv. Acre		Production	
	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999
	1,000 acres				Bushels		1,000 bushels	
Northwest	1.0	2.0	0.7	1.9	26.3	35.0	18.4	67.0
North	129.0	135.0	125.4	132.0	47.8	44.0	5,995.1	5,808.0
Northeast	1,080.0	1,150.0	1,062.1	1,137.0	43.7	38.0	46,446.2	43,206.0
Central	195.0	250.0	187.8	247.0	45.9	49.0	8,612.8	12,103.0
East	1,265.0	1,450.0	1,256.0	1,437.0	45.6	43.2	57,281.8	62,126.0
Southwest	40.0	63.0	39.2	61.1	45.9	45.0	1,798.7	2,750.0
South	195.0	270.0	191.0	265.0	48.0	52.0	9,159.3	13,780.0
Southeast	895.0	1,030.0	887.8	1,019.0	40.2	40.0	35,687.7	40,760.0
NEBRASKA	3,800.0	4,350.0	3,750.0	4,300.0	44.0	42.0	165,000.0	180,600.0

District	SORGHUM FOR GRAIN							
	Acres Planted		Acres Harvested		Yield per Harv. Acre		Production	
	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999
	1,000 acres				Bushels		1,000 bushels	
Northwest	14.0	12.0	4.1	3.0	53.7	50.0	220.0	150.0
North	10.5	10.0	5.0	4.0	80.8	70.0	404.0	280.0
Northeast	12.5	12.0	3.2	3.0	71.3	70.0	228.0	210.0
Central	25.0	24.0	10.5	8.0	75.5	90.0	792.5	720.0
East	100.0	72.0	91.3	64.0	99.5	103.0	9,086.0	6,592.0
Southwest	53.0	45.0	34.7	25.0	81.7	88.0	2,835.0	2,200.0
South	95.0	75.0	83.1	63.0	99.0	87.0	8,230.0	5,481.0
Southeast	390.0	300.0	368.1	280.0	94.0	87.2	34,604.5	24,417.0
NEBRASKA	700.0	550.0	600.0	450.0	94.0	89.0	56,400.0	40,050.0

1/ Preliminary estimates 1998 and forecast as of November 1, 1999. **NOTE:** Planted acres are for all purposes

SORGHUM FOR GRAIN YIELD & PRODUCTION

SELECTED STATES & U.S., 1998-1999

State	Yield/Acre			Production	
	1998	1999		1998	1999*
		Oct. 1	Nov. 1		
	Bushels			1,000 bushels	
Ark.	53.0	74.0	76.0	6,890	8,740
Colo.	57.0	48.0	44.0	10,545	8,800
Ill.	74.0	77.0	90.0	7,918	8,730
Kans.	80.0	73.0	77.0	264,000	261,800
La.	60.0	80.0	80.0	7,500	20,000
Miss.	65.0	85.0	85.0	2,340	4,760
Mo.	83.0	70.0	73.0	26,560	22,630
NEBR.	94.0	87.0	89.0	56,400	40,050
N. Mex. ...	45.0	55.0	55.0	2,925	7,425
Okla.	45.0	50.0	50.0	15,300	20,000
S. Dak.	71.0	58.0	58.0	9,940	6,380
Texas	46.0	63.0	63.0	105,800	182,700
U.S.	67.3	68.3	70.2	519,933	596,482

*Indicated November 1.

MILK PRODUCTION

Milk production in the 20 major states during October totaled 11.6 billion pounds, up 4.3% from production in these same States in October 1998. September revised production, at 11.2 billion pounds was up 4.9% from September 1998. The September revision represented a decrease of 0.3% or 37 million pounds from last months preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,496 pounds for October, 50 pounds above October 1998.

The number of cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.75 million head, 57,000 head more than October 1998 but 1,000 head less than September 1999. October is the first month that the dairy cow herd has not expanded from the previous month in the 20 major States since February of this year. The total increase from February to September was 51,000 head of cows.

U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS, BY LEADING STATES: ESTIMATED VALUE BY COMMODITY GROUP, FY 1998

Commodity Group	United States	Leading 10 States, by value									
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Million dollars									
Total	55,093.8	Cal. 7,653.9	Iowa 3,504.6	Ill. 3,099.1	Tex. 3,057.8	Neb. 2,894.3	Kan. 2,857.2	Minn. 2,283.3	Wash. 1,699.6	Ark. 1,633.6	Ind. 1,618.0
Soybeans and products	9,020.3	Iowa 1,604.9	Ill. 1,435.4	Minn. 857.0	Ind. 773.5	Ohio 640.6	Mo. 585.8	Neb. 482.3	S.Dak. 381.6	Ark. 368.4	Kan. 291.7
Feed grains and products	6,342.9	Iowa 1,045.2	Ill. 916.2	Neb. 779.3	Minn. 556.9	Kan. 486.0	Ind. 446.0	Tex. 328.8	Ohio 303.0	Wis. 260.0	Mo. 224.7
Live animals and meat	5,421.7	Neb. 828.0	Kan. 714.0	Tex. 692.7	Iowa 521.6	Colo. 272.2	Ill. 240.7	Minn. 231.1	Ky. 204.3	Cal. 179.4	Wis. 172.5
Wheat and products	3,958.7	Kan. 773.8	Wash. 336.6	Okla. 236.2	N.Dak. 223.0	Idaho 212.9	Ohio. 203.4	Ill. 191.0	Tex. 179.3	Mont. 171.2	Mo. 169.0
Vegetables and preps.	4,081.0	Cal. 1,993.3	Wash. 419.7	Ind. 252.8	Wis. 210.8	Minn. 169.5	Ore. 161.9	Mich. 135.8	Fla.. 110.7	N.Dak. 102.0	Co. 79.3
Fruit and preps.	3,217.9	Cal. 1,704.2	Fla. 558.5	Wash. 469.3	Ore. 92.2	Mich. 83.9	N.Y. 60.5	Haw. 55.4	Tex. 41.5	Ariz. 34.4	Penn. 25.2
Poultry and products	2,647.7	Ga. 370.4	Ark. 366.7	N.C. 291.7	Ala. 266.7	Miss. 200.9	Tex. 144.3	Cal. 133.8	Mo. 96.7	Va. 96.7	Md. 81.9
Cotton and linters	2,574.8	Tex. 707.8	Cal. 375.9	Ga. 260.6	Miss. 247.3	Ark. 228.6	La. 133.9	N.C. 126.3	Ariz. 122.5	Tenn. 89.9	Mo. 76.7
Feeds and fodders	1,721.3	Neb. 248.2	Tex. 206.8	Kan. 192.4	Iowa 120.8	Minn. 105.5	Ill. 89.7	Colo. 72.7	Wis. 62.9	Cal. 49.8	N.Dak. 48.3
Hides and skins	1,358.3	Neb. 241.5	Kan. 228.7	Tex. 198.4	Colo. 93.8	Wis. 75.6	Iowa 54.3	Minn. 50.7	Ill. 40.5	Cal. 39.0	Utah 38.0
Tobacco, un-manufactured	1,447.9	N.C. 572.8	Ky. 343.8	S.C. 99.2	Va. 92.1	Tenn. 85.8	Conn. 85.5	Ga. 70.8	Ma. 28.1	Fla. 15.5	Ohio 15.2
Tree nuts	1,213.2	Cal. 1,101.6	Ore. 37.8	Ga.. 19.4	Tex. 16.0	N.M. 8.7	Haw. 7.4	Okla. 4.8	La. 3.0	Ala.. 1.8	Miss. 0.9
Rice	1,134.8	Ark. 492.7	Cal. 257.5	La. 168.8	Tex. 89.6	Miss. 87.0	Mo. 39.0	na	na	na	na
Seeds	827.3	Cal. 183.6	Ore. 169.4	N.Dak. 49.0	Fla. 32.8	Iowa 29.9	S.Dak. 28.3	Ill. 26.7	Kan. 25.2	Ariz. 25.1	Minn. 24.3
Dairy products	925.1	Wis. 219.7	Cal. 170.3	Minn. 76.2	N.Y. 50.8	Penn. 46.7	Idaho 46.5	Wash. 33.7	Iowa 27.8	Ohio 24.6	Tex. 21.6
Animal fats	655.2	Neb. 127.3	Kan. 117.3	Tex. 100.9	Colo. 42.3	Iowa 39.7	Wis. 28.0	Minn. 25.5	Ill. 24.5	Cal. 19.0	Penn. 18.5
Peanuts and products	239.4	Ga. 90.2	Tex. 55.6	Ala. 25.2	N.C. 22.3	Fla. 15.4	Va. 12.9	Okla. 12.5	N.M. 3.2	S.C. 2.1	na
Sunflowerseed and oil	338.5	N.Dak. 174.6	S.Dak. 112.0	Kan. 20.9	Minn. 10.0	Colo. 8.1	Tex. 7.4	Neb. 5.5	na	na	na
Cottonseed and prods.	102.6	Tex. 29.4	Cal. 13.9	Miss. 10.4	Ga. 9.8	Ark. 9.4	La. 5.3	N.C. 4.8	Ariz. 4.6	Tenn. 3.8	Mo. 3.3
Other	7,865.3	Cal. 1,368.4	La. 211.0	Fla. 208.5	Wash. 206.6	Tex. 130.2	Ga. 128.4	Ore. 118.9	N.J. 96.7	Ky. 82.5	Ill. 80.7

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